

ways beyond our ability to fully appreciate.

There are many tributes that have been bestowed upon our State's former dean, and many more to come, I hope, but this tribute is especially fitting. Bill Natcher labored for years to build this bridge. When finished, the Natcher Bridge will be a daily reminder to his many beloved constituents of the tremendous service he gave to his district, his State, and the people of this Nation.

Again, I want to congratulate the gentleman from Kentucky [Mr. LEWIS] for sponsoring this memorial to one of our greatest statesmen in the House and the Congress, and I urge its adoption.

Mr. RAHALL. Mr. Speaker, I yield 3 minutes to the distinguished, very capable gentleman who is the Representative of the Third District of Kentucky, Mr. WARD.

Mr. WARD. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman very much for yielding me time.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of this resolution and am very proud to be able to do so. I am disappointed that I was not able to get to know Bill Natcher. I had the opportunity on literally just a couple of occasions to introduce myself to him and to meet him. My service in this Congress began after his passing. But I do know very, very well of his reputation, because each of us who was involved in government and politics in Kentucky knew very well of Chairman Natcher.

We knew of him as an example to aspire to, not just his voting record, but obviously that reflected his commitment and his sense of duty, but more than that, to the way he conducted himself in office.

Chairman Natcher was a fellow who had no press secretary. Chairman Natcher was a fellow who regularly turned back some of his office budget to the Treasury. Chairman Natcher, in short, was a fellow who represented his district in a time-honored fashion that maybe is no longer to be seen and will never again be seen.

Chairman Natcher prided himself on campaigning out of his sedan. He drove around the Second Congressional District of Kentucky from courthouse to courthouse, from crossroads to crossroads, and made sure that the people of his district knew who he was and what he was about, and that he in turn knew who they were and what they were about.

I am delighted to have the opportunity to support this resolution, and look forward to driving across the William Natcher Bridge.

Mr. PETRI. Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the gentleman from New York [Mr. GILMAN], the chairman of the Committee on International Relations.

(Mr. GILMAN asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. GILMAN. Mr. Speaker, I thank the distinguished gentleman for yielding me this time.

Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to rise in support of this resolution naming a bridge on behalf of our former leader, Chairman Natcher, who was a model for so many of us in the Congress. His dedication, his leadership, his devotion to public responsibilities, served as a reminder to all of us how much more we can and should be doing as we represent the people of our own districts.

I think this memorial is a befitting memorial in naming the bridge after Mr. Natcher, because he was like a sturdy bridge for all of us, between our constituents and the Congress and the Federal Government. I am pleased to rise in support of the resolution.

Mr. PETRI. Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the gentleman from Illinois, Mr. HENRY HYDE, the distinguished chairman of the Committee on the Judiciary.

(Mr. HYDE asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. HYDE. Mr. Speaker, I just cannot let this opportunity pass without paying homage to one of the really great people I have been privileged to meet in a rather long life. Bill Natcher was as close to a perfect legislator as I have ever encountered, a man of impeccable rectitude. He was as straight as he stood, which was with ramrod severity. He was honorable, he was straightforward. You knew where he stood on any issue and every issue. But, most importantly, his contributions, which were many, most importantly they were not that he ran the Committee on Appropriations with an iron hand, but with compassion and a generous hand. He never turned anybody away who needed help, any cause. He was a liberal in the best sense of the term as anybody I have ever met, and yet he kept a very tight ship.

But I think his most important and lasting contribution was his defense of the unborn. It was not very popular for him, but he was pro-life, and there are literally millions of children alive today because Bill Natcher would not budge on the issue of Federal funding for abortion. He was a great man, he is a great man, and one bridge is hardly enough, but at least it is a start.

God bless you, Bill Natcher.

Mr. RAHALL. Mr. Speaker, I have no further requests for time, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. PETRI. Mr. Speaker, I have no further requests for time, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. NETHERCUTT). The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Wisconsin [Mr. PETRI] that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 3572.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed. A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. PETRI. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may

have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on H.R. 3572.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Wisconsin?

There was no objection.

SINGLE AUDIT ACT AMENDMENTS OF 1996

Mr. HORN. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill (S. 1579) to streamline and improve the effectiveness of chapter 75 of title 31, United States Code (commonly referred to as the "Single Audit Act").

The Clerk read as follows:

S. 1579

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; PURPOSES.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the "Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996".

(b) PURPOSES.—The purposes of this Act are to—

(1) promote sound financial management, including effective internal controls, with respect to Federal awards administered by non-Federal entities;

(2) establish uniform requirements for audits of Federal awards administered by non-Federal entities;

(3) promote the efficient and effective use of audit resources;

(4) reduce burdens on State and local governments, Indian tribes, and nonprofit organizations; and

(5) ensure that Federal departments and agencies, to the maximum extent practicable, rely upon and use audit work done pursuant to chapter 75 of title 31, United States Code (as amended by this Act).

SEC. 2. AMENDMENT TO TITLE 31, UNITED STATES CODE.

Chapter 75 of title 31, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

"CHAPTER 75—REQUIREMENTS FOR SINGLE AUDITS

"Sec.

"7501. Definitions.

"7502. Audit requirements; exemptions.

"7503. Relation to other audit requirements.

"7504. Federal agency responsibilities and relations with non-Federal entities.

"7505. Regulations.

"7506. Monitoring responsibilities of the Comptroller General.

"7507. Effective date.

"§ 7501. Definitions

"(a) As used in this chapter, the term—

"(1) 'Comptroller General' means the Comptroller General of the United States;

"(2) 'Director' means the Director of the Office of Management and Budget;

"(3) 'Federal agency' has the same meaning as the term 'agency' in section 551(1) of title 5;

"(4) 'Federal awards' means Federal financial assistance and Federal cost-reimbursement contracts that non-Federal entities receive directly from Federal awarding agencies or indirectly from pass-through entities;

"(5) 'Federal financial assistance' means assistance that non-Federal entities receive or administer in the form of grants, loans, loan guarantees, property, cooperative agreements, interest subsidies, insurance, food commodities, direct appropriations, or other assistance, but does not include amounts received as reimbursement for services rendered to individuals in accordance with guidance issued by the Director;